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**Appeal Number: 08-12970-H**Case Style: Jeffery Baker, Jr. v. Russell Thomas
District Court Number: 06-00061 CV-N

TO: Debra P. Hackett

CC: Jeffery Baker, Jr.

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## **United States Court of Appeals**

Eleventh Circuit 56 Forsyth Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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The enclosed certified copy of this Court's order denying the application for a Certificate of Appealability is issued as the mandate of this court. See 11th Cir. R. 41-4. Counsel and pro se parties are advised that pursuant to 11th Cir. R. 27-2, "a motion to reconsider, vacate, or modify an order must be filed within 21 days of the entry of such order. No additional time shall be allowed for mailing."

Also enclosed is the record on appeal, which consists of: 1 box original papers.

The district court clerk is requested to acknowledge receipt on the copy of this letter enclosed to the clerk.

Sincerely,

THOMAS K. KAHN, Clerk

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JEFFERY BAKER, JR.,

Petitioner-Appellant,

versus

RUSSELL THOMAS, Sheriff, TROY KING, The Attorney General of the State of Alabama,

Respondents-Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama

ORDER:

To merit a certificate of appealability, appellant must show that reasonable jurists would find debatable both (1) the merits of an underlying claim and (2) the procedural issues he seeks to raise. See 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2); Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 478, 120 S.Ct. 1595, 1600-01, 146 L.Ed.2d 542 (2000). Because appellant has failed to satisfy the second prong of Slack's test, the motion for a certificate of appealability is DENIED.

Appellant's motion to proceed in forma pauperis is DENIED AS MOOT.

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Cleck, U.S. Court of Appeals Eleventh Circuit

/s/ Gerald B. Tjoflat UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE